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## Commercial

### PRODUCE.

**Invercargill Prices Current.—Wholesale—Butter** (farm), 6d; separator, 7d. **Butter** (factory), pats, 1s 0½d. **Eggs**, 1s per dozen. **Cheese**, 6d. **Hams**, 9d. **Barley**, 2s to 2s 6d. **Chaff**, £3 5s per ton. **Flour**, £10 to £11. **Oatmeal**, £11 10s to £12. **Bran**, £4. **Pollard**, £5 10s. **Potatoes**, £7. **Retail—Farm butter**, 8d; separator, 9d. **Butter** (factory), pats, 1s 2d. **Cheese**, 8d. **Eggs**, 1s 3d per dozen. **Bacon**, 9d. **Hams**, 10d. **Flour**: 200lb, 22s; 50lb, 6s; 25lb, 3s 3d. **Oatmeal**: 50lb, 7s; 25lb 3s 6d. **Pollard**, 9s 6d per bag. **Bran**, 5s. **Chaff**, 2s. **Potatoes**, 9s per cwt.

#### Messrs. Stronach, Morris, and Co. report:—

**Oats.**—Business continues very quiet, and quotations are as follows: Prime milling, 2s 0½d to 2s 1d; good to best feed, 1s 11d to 2s 0½d; medium to good, 1s 9½d to 1s 11d per bushel.

**Wheat.**—Business in this cereal is also limited, quotations being as follows: Prime milling, 3s 5d to 3s 6d; medium, 3s 3d to 3s 4d; whole fowl wheat, 3s 2d to 3s 3d; broken and damaged, 2s 10 to 3s 1d.

**Potatoes.**—Supplies are now more plentiful, and prices have eased somewhat. Quotations: Best, £8 to £9; others, £5 to £6 10s.

**Chaff.**—The market is well supplied, and business is confined to prime lines. Quotations: Prime oat sheaf, £3 17s 6d to £4; medium to good, £3 10s to £3 15s, light and inferior, £3 to £3 5s.

#### Messrs. Nimmo and Blair report as follows:—

**Wheat.**—There is very little business doing in milling wheat; what few sales are going through are confined to prime samples. Fowl wheat is scarce and in firm demand. We quote: Prime milling, 3s 5d to 3s 6d; medium, 3s 3d to 3s 4d; whole fowl wheat, 3s 2d to 3s 3d; broken, 2s 10d to 3s 1d per bushel (sacks extra).

**Oats.**—The demand is quiet. Prime milling, 2s to 2s 1d; good to best feed, 1s 11d to 2s per bushel (sacks extra).

**Chaff.**—Numerous consignments continue to come forward. Buyers are purchasing only the best, which means that inferior quality is being taken into store or sold at a low figure. We quote: Prime oat sheaf, from £3 17s 6d to £4; medium to good, £3 10s to £3 15s per ton (sacks extra).

**Potatoes.**—For freshly dug and good conditioned Oamaru there is a steady demand. For other than those answering to the above description there is a poor sale. We quote: Oamaru, from £8 to £9; inferior, £6 to £7 10s per ton.

**Eggs.**—In very firm demand at 1s 2d per dozen.

**Pigs.**—Baconers, 3½d per lb; heavy weights, 2d to 2½d; porkers, 3¼d.

**Butter.**—Dairy, 7d to 7½d; separator, 8d to 9d; milled, 8d to 9d per lb.

**Honey.**—3½d to 4d per lb.

**Poultry.**—Fair demand. Hens, 2s 6d to 2s 9d; roosters, 3s 6d to 4s 6d; ducks, 3s to 4s 6d per pair; turkeys, hens, 5d per lb; gobblers, 7d (live weight).

#### Messrs. Donald Reid and Co. (Limited) report:—

We held our weekly auction sale of grain and produce at our stores on Monday. There was a good attendance of local buyers, but competition was not keen, and only part of the catalogue was quitted at auction, the balance being held over for private sale. Prices ruled as under:—

**Oats.**—There is practically no demand for export, and in consequence most consignments coming forward here are being quitted in smaller lots for local consumption at prices a shade under late quotations. We quote: Prime milling, 2s 0½d to 2s 1d; good to best

feed, 1s 11d to 2s 0½d; medium to good, 1s 9½d to 1s 11d per bushel (sacks extra).

**Wheat.**—In milling lines, a small local business is being done, chiefly in good to prime samples. Medium quality is not so strongly favored, but is saleable at quotations. Fowl wheat is offering very sparingly, and is readily taken for local use at prices beyond shippers' limits. We quote: Prime milling, 3s 5d to 3s 6d; medium, 3s 3d to 3s 4d; whole fowl wheat, 3s 2d to 3s 3d; broken and damaged, 2s 10d to 3s 1d per bushel (sacks extra).

**Barley.**—A few lines of prime malting have changed hands at 3s 3d to 3s 6d per bushel. Medium quality is not inquired for, but feed is not plentiful, and is in fair demand. We quote: Prime malting, 3s 3d to 3s 9d; medium do and milling, 2s 10d to 3s; feed, 2s 5d to 2s 8d per bushel (sacks extra).

**Potatoes.**—The quantity arriving from outside markets has had a depressing effect upon values. Best freshly-dug lots are selling here to-day at £8 to £9, while imported kidneys and northern consignments of Beauty of Hebron and other sorts find little favor and few buyers at £5 to £6 10s per ton (sacks in).

**Chaff.**—Buyers have numerous consignments to choose from, but are only disposed to purchase prime lots. Prime oat sheaf is saleable at £3 17s 6d to £4, but other qualities are difficult to place at, for medium to good, £3 10s to £3 15s; light and inferior, £3 to £3 5s per ton (bags extra).

**Pressed Straw.**—We quote: Oaten, 40s to 45s wheat, 30s to 32s 6d per ton.

### WOOL.

London, January 28.—The wool sales are animated and very firm. To date 116,039 bales have been catalogued, and 111,133 sold. The following were the average prices realised for the fleece portions of the clips named: Pimpana, 11½d; Gum Creek (Christchurch), 11½d; Akitio, 12½d; Napier, Motuotaria, 13½d.

#### Messrs. Stronach, Morris, and Co. report:—

**Rabbitskins.**—We offered a fair sized catalogue at our sale on Monday, prices being much on a par with previous quotations.

**Sheepskins.**—We offered a small catalogue at Tuesday's sale, prices, in sympathy with the wool market, being decidedly firmer. Pelts sold up to 3s 1d, and Lambskins to 4s 2d.

**Hides.**—We offered a catalogue comprising 243 hides, and had a very successful sale. Our top prices for ox hides was 8d, and for cows we obtained the extreme price of 6½d per lb.

**Tallow and Fat.**—No change to report.

### DUNEDIN HORSE SALEYARDS.

#### Messrs. Wright, Stephenson, and Co. report

We had only a medium entry of horses forward for last Saturday's sale. There was a full attendance of the public, and a moderate amount of business was transacted during the day. The scarcity of good young horses of almost all classes continues, and anything fresh from the country finds ready sale at quotations. The demand for really first-class young draught geldings, suitable for town work, is keen, and we can recommend consignments. Spring-van and spring-cart horses and good useful buggy horses are also wanted, and prices for these classes continue good. We quote: Superior young draught geldings, at from £50 to £55; extra good prize horses, £56 to £65; superior young draught mares, £60 to £75; medium draught mares and geldings, £30 to £45; aged do, £17 to £30; upstanding carriage horses, £25 to £35; well-matched carriage pairs, £80 to £100; strong spring-van horses, £25 to £35; milk-cart and butchers' order-cart horses, £23 to £28; light hacks, £10 to £18; extra good hacks, £20 to £30; weedy and aged hacks and harness horses, £5 to £8.

Messrs. Whitaker Bros., Wellington and Greymouth, have just received a number of copies of the Very Rev. Dr. O'Riordan's great work, 'Catholicity and Progress in Ireland,' which is the ablest work on the subject dealt with that has been published for many years. The work extorts the highest praise even from unsympathetic reviewers, and has been quoted extensively by the Catholic press in every English-speaking land. A few months ago the book was noticed at some length in these pages, and a more extended notice will probably appear next week. The same firm has received a supply of Rev. Father Benson's latest works, 'By what Authority' and 'The King's Achievement,' both of which are very popular. Messrs. Whitaker Bros. call attention to their Catholic history books such as the Grenville and Abbey Readers, etc.